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COMMENTS:

Per our conversation on Friday, attached are the submissions made by us to complete the application. I was told by Ms. Johnson on 3/29/00 that no response was necessary. Please see what happened that this case has been terminated. My direct line is 212-527-7792.

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HENRY STERNBERG DARBY & DARBY 805 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022 CONFIRMATION NO. 2666
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# NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF PROCEEDINGS UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(e)

Proceedings on the above-identified application number are TERMINATED.

The application did not meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.53(b), (c), or (d) to be entitled to a filing date, and the filing error(s) specified in the Notice mailed on were not timely corrected (37 CFR 1.53(e)).

The \$ 1280 fee submitted with the application, less a \$130.00 handling fee, will be refunded or credited to your deposit account.

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Receipt is acknowledged of this nonprovisional Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmited by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error check or draft are subject to collection. Please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Customer Service is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination. If you received a Center. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the PTO processes the reply to the Notice, the PTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

Applicant(s)

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# COVER LETTER FOR CORRECTION OF PREVIOUS NOTICE

The Notice mailed on 09/28/1999 was sent in error and is hereby withdrawn. A corrected Notice is enclosed. The time period for reply runs from the mail date of the corrected Notice. We apologize for any inconvenience this caused.

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### COMPLETION OF PATENT APPLICATION

The following items are submitted herewith in completion of the above-identified patent application:

- Declaration, petition and power of attorney
- 2. Check in the amount of \$1,320.00, (\$760.00 filing; \$40.00 recording, \$130.00 late filing fee; \$130.00 english translation, \$260.00 multiple claims) (See attached Fee Computation Sheet)
- 3. [X] Assignment for recording to: <u>AFT Atlas Fahrzeugtechnik GmbH</u>
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### Patent Claims

- Gearbox with an actuating device for automated shifting and selection of a gear ratio, the gearbox having a gearbox operating element which is arranged to set the gear ratio and can be activated by means of an operating actor.
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  - 3. Gearbox according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the gearbox operating element is a central shifting shaft, by means of which on axial displacement of the shifting shaft, engagement of a gear ratio and, on rotation of the gear shaft, selection of a shift slot can be carried out.





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